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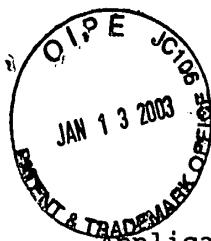
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RESPONSE

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a full and complete response to an Examiner's Action dated October 11, 2002, Paper no. _ together with a Declaration of Mark D. Conover.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established for this application by a previously submitted verified statement.

It appears that this response to the Examiner's Action dated October 11, 2002, Paper no. _, is being timely filed. However, if this response is deemed not to be timely filed, then pursuant to the relevant provision of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, the Applicant hereby conditionally petitions for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely.

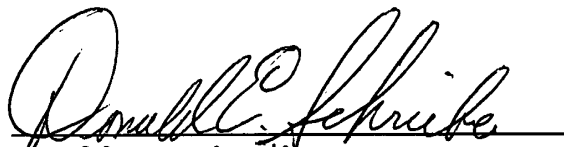
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